

Martin Luther King, Jr. 2005 Commemoration



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A Day On . . . Not A Day Off

Martin Luther King, Jr. March
January 17, 2005 San Antonio, Texas
San Antonio Martin Luther King Jr. Commission



The 2005 King Holiday observance marks the 76th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the 18th anniversary of the local commemoration in his honor.

The City of San Antonio's Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission coordinates the local commemoration. Rev. Edward Hayes, 2005 Commission Chair; Councilman Joel Williams, Honorary Chair; Jelynn Burley, Staff Liaison/Assistant City Manager.

Born January 15, 1929 in Atlanta, Georgia. Martin Luther King, Jr. was one of three children born to the Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr. and Alberta Williams King. From 1960 until his death in 1968, Dr. King served as co-pastor with his father at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta.

Educated at Morehouse College, Crozer Theological Seminary and Boston University. Dr. King entered Morehouse at the age of 15 after skipping grades due to high scores on college entrance examinations. In 1948, he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology. In 1951, Dr. King was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree. In 1955, he received a doctorate in philosophy at Boston University where he met his wife and mother of his four children, Coretta Scott King.

Inspired and led men, women and children across the nation in one of the greatest nonviolent civil rights movements in America. Dr. King was president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, the organization responsible for the successful Montgomery Bus Boycott of 1955-1956. The boycott was instigated by Rosa Parks when she refused to give up her bus seat to a white passenger. It led to a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that desegregated the Montgomery bus system. Dr. King also founded and was president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. The SCLC was instrumental in bringing about the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act and the 1965 Voting Rights Act through its nonviolent, direct action campaigns in Selma and Birmingham.

Achieved a place in history as one of the greatest civil rights leaders ever. Dr. King led a march on Washington in 1963 where he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. In 1964, he won the Nobel Peace Prize and was named Man of the Year by Time magazine. On April 4, 1968, while in Memphis, Tennessee, to assist striking sanitation workers, Dr. King was assassinated by James Earl Ray. In 1983, the U.S. Congress designated King's birthday as a national holiday.

All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, January 13

MLK Commemorative Service

MEDCOM Player's Guild performs MLK chronology. Fort Sam Houston, Roadrunner Bldg. #2797 on Stanley Rd. 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. 221-9356 or 221-9276

Thursday, January 13

St. Mary's University proudly presents: Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration - The Dream Continues

Public Readings of Dr. King's works. Quadrangle (alternative site: University Center Atrium), St. Mary's University, One Camino Santa Maria. 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. 436-3135

Friday, January 14

MLK Prayer Breakfast

Randolph AFB Enlisted Club. 7:30 a.m. 565-2493

Friday, January 14

NFBPA MLK Youth Event

The National Forum for Black Public Administrators - S.A. Chapter hosts career fair for youth. Sam Houston High School, 4635 E. Houston. 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. 704-7353

Friday, January 14

Stepping out HIV/AIDS

Overnight dance marathon sponsored by Sunset Station, Project WORTH, BET's Big Tigger and Essence magazine. Proceeds benefit BEAT AIDS, Bexar County Youth In Action, and HSAN S.T.A.R. Project (Spreading Truth About Risk). Sunset Station Saloon. 6 p.m. - 7:30 a.m.

Friday, January 14

Baptist Ministers Union MLK Worship Service

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, 1001 N. Walters. 7 p.m. 225-2452

Saturday, January 15

Annual Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Delta Rho Lambda Chapter) Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 508 N. Center Street. Donation: \$10. 9 a.m.

Saturday, January 15

MLK Public Awards Program

MLK Commission presents MLK Distinguished Achievement Award to member of the community. Baha'i Unity of Humanity award also presented. City Council Chamber, 114 W. Commerce. 6 p.m. 207-7235

Saturday, January 15

M. L. King Celebration

Guest Speaker: Richard Lewis, Presidential Fellow, UTSA. Entertainment: DJ – Tower Of Power. Attire: semi-formal. Donation: \$20. Kelly Field Club, Bldg 1676-Kelly USA. 7 p.m. – midnight. 679-6695 or 521-3992

Sunday, January 16

MLK Youth Gospel Choir Competition

Hosted by the House of Blues. Sunset Station House of Blues. 11:30 a.m. 385-3952 for registration information.

Sunday, January 16

Annual MLK Poster-Making Session

Youth detail their vision of Dr. King's legacy by creating posters for the MLK March. Eastside Boys & Girls Club, 3503 MLK Drive. 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, January 16

MLK Interfaith Service

Guest Speaker: Rev. Claude Black, retired Senior Pastor with Mount Zion First Baptist Church. Performances: MLK Interfaith Combined Choir; Sikh Youth Choir. Reception to follow. Trinity Baptist Church, 319 E. Mulberry. 3 p.m. 733-6201

Sunday, January 16

Annual MLK Prayer Vigil

Sponsored by the Peace Initiative. Eastside Boys & Girls Club, 3503 MLK Drive. 6:30 – 7 p.m.

Monday, January 17

Service Day On

AmeriCorps members and student volunteers will hold banners along the march route detailing history of Civil Rights Movement and distribute Collectible March Through History cards. Youth Education Area at Pittman-Sullivan Park will include: face painting, civil rights faces and facts, "I Have a Dream" mobiles, My Hero picture frames, and a physical disabilities awareness obstacle course. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. 247-4442

Monday, January 17

City, State and National Holiday

City offices and libraries closed.
No garbage, recyclable or brush pickup.

Monday, January 17

San Antonio Symphony Target Around Town Celebration - MLK Concert

Chelsea Tipton II conducting; The Kindred Consort. Limited seats available. Free tickets at the Symphony or Carver Box Office. Carver Community Cultural Center, 226 N. Hackberry. 5 p.m. Sponsored by the City's Office of Cultural Affairs and Target Stores. 554-1010 or 207-2234 www.sasymphony.org

Monday, January 17...10 a.m.

2005 MLK March

"A Day On, Not a Day Off!"

Join the largest U.S. march aimed at remembering and continuing Dr. King's legacy. Prayer service at 8 a.m. prior to the march at the Eastside Boys & Girls Club. March starts at Eastside Boys & Girls Club/MLK Freedom Bridge, 3500 MLK Drive, ends at Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa. ***(Please note route change)*** MLK Commemorative Program Speaker: Dr. Joseph E. Lowery, co-founder with Martin Luther King, Jr. of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), President Emeritus. Highlight Performance: Canton Spirituals, award-winning gospel quartet. Program begins at approximately noon. www.sanantonio.gov/mlk

Tuesday, January 18

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Six Steps to Nonviolence

9:45 a.m. – 11 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. - 12:25 p.m. University Center Conference Room A, St. Mary's University, One Camino Santa Maria. 436-3135

Tuesday, January 18 – 21

MLK Art Exhibit

African-American artists have painted their visual imagery around actual events which affected the Civil Rights movements of the 1950's and 1960's. Reception: January 18, 6:30 – 8 p.m. St. Philip's College, Gallery 100, 1801 Martin Luther King Dr. 333-1705

Wednesday, January 19

Trinity University Presents: 10th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Lecture

Special Guests: Ms. Minnijean Brown-Trickey - One of the first nine African American students at Little Rock Central High; Ms. Diane Nash - Co-founder of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC); Rev. Claude Black - San Antonio pioneer and active leader in the Civil Rights Movement; and Dr. Arturo Madrid (Moderator) - Professor of the Humanities at Trinity University, founder of Tomás Rivera Center and renowned Latino activist. A sign language interpreter will be available. Laurie Auditorium. 7 p.m. 999-8119

Friday, January 21

St. Mary's University proudly presents: Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration – The Dream Continues

"We've Come This Far by Faith"

Featuring: Sr. Sandra Helton, SSND; Chaplain Col. Edward K. Maney; St. Cecilia Catholic School Choir, St. Mary's University Concert Choir. 7 p.m. Campus location: TBA. St. Mary's University, One Camino Santa Maria. 436-3135

Friday, February 18

African American Business Awards Gala

Black Business Expo recognizes outstanding African American business owners in the following categories: Non-profit/Religion; Emerging Entrepreneur; Lifetime Achievement Award; Food Services; Professional Services; and Corporate Advocate. Tickets \$60. Hilton Palacio Del Rio, 200 S. Alamo St. 227-0324

Saturday, February 19

2005 Black Business Expo

Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, Exhibit Hall A. 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. \$5 per adult; children 12 and under are free. 227-0324

Saturday, February 19

Mahogany Brain Challenge

Black History competition sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Sam Houston High School, 4635 E. Houston. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Monday, February 21

Black Business Expo presents: Mike Mitchell Golf Classic

Tee off: 8 a.m. Sonterra Golf Club, 901 Sonterra Blvd. \$250 per person. 227-0324

City of San Antonio Public Library Events

Bazan Branch Library • 2200 W. Commerce • 225-1614
January 11, 10 a.m. • Preschool storytime and craft: MLK

Carver Branch Library • 3350 E. Commerce • 225-7801
January 11, 10 a.m. • Celebrate King's birthday with stories about friendship

January 15, 2 p.m. • Sterling Houston Dramatization:
MLK Letters from Birmingham Jail

January 19, 10 a.m. • Children's Story Hour: The Life of MLK

February 1, 10 a.m. • African-American History Stories

February 5, 1 - 5 p.m. • African-American Family Day: meet representatives from community organizations; enjoy games, fun, face painting and refreshments.

February 6, 2 p.m. • Freedom Quilts: learn how the quilt designs were used to communicate messages to help runaway slaves on their journey to the north

February 21, 2 p.m. • Learn what it was like to be a Buffalo Soldier in the old west

February 27, 2 p.m. • Meet the authors! Katherine Jones, Allison McVea, Fred Williams, Jo Adams, Margie Walker and Thea Autry Rodriguez

Central Library • 600 Soledad • 207-2500

January 15, 2 p.m. • Family Storytime and Craft: Celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr's life

Library Rap: Teens between the ages of 13 and 18 will be asked to write their own original raps about why the Library is THE

teen place to be. Raps will be submitted at branch libraries. Finalists will perform for a panel of judges at the Central Library, who will select the winning Library rap. Date: TBA

Cortez Branch Library • 2803 Hunter Boulevard • 922-7372
January 11, 10:45 a.m. • Storytime: Martin Luther King, Jr.

February 2, 4 p.m. • Readers' Theater: African-American history

February 5, 2 p.m. • Family Fun: Make a quilt square for display in the African-American History quilt at the Central Library

Guerra Branch Library • 7978 Military Drive West • 673-1492
January 18 - February 28 • We Have Dreams: Children will write their dreams on cut-out stars and clouds, to be displayed in a mural at the library

Las Palmas Branch Library • 515 Castroville Road • 434-6394
January 11, 7 p.m. • Family Storytime: Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday; craft: watercolor painting

February 15, 7 p.m. • Family Storytime: Readers' Theater stories for African-American History Month; Craft: make a quilt square for the San Antonio Public Library children's quilt

Memorial Branch Library • 3222 Culebra • 432-6783
January 19, 10:30 a.m. • Preschool Storytime: Friendship Stories

February 1, 6:30 p.m. • Family Prime Time Craft: Rainbow of the Human Race

Oakwell Branch Library • 4134 Harry Wurzbach • 828-2569
January 18, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. • Stories to honor MLK

February 16, 6:30 p.m. • Quilt stories for Black History Month; craft: make a paper quilt

San Pedro Branch Library • 1315 San Pedro • 733-1454
January 18 and 20, 10 a.m. • They Had a Dream: Stories for Martin Luther King, Jr's Birthday

Westfall Branch Library • 6111 Rosedale Court • 344-2373
January 11, 3:30 p.m. • Children's Craft: make a peace dove bookmark.

February 2, 10:30 a.m. • Preschool storytime: African-American stories and craft

Special Martin Luther King Jr. Book Displays

Brook Hollow Branch Library • 530 Heimer Road • 496-6315
Cody Branch Library • 11441 Vance Jackson • 696-6396
Collins Garden Branch Library • 200 N. Park • 225-0331
Forest Hills Branch Library • 5245 Ingram Road • 431-2544
Great Northwest Branch Library • 9050 Wellwood • 684-5251
Johnston Branch Library • 6307 Sun Valley • 674-8410
Landa Branch Library • 233 Bushnell • 732-8368
McCreless Branch Library • 1023 Ada • 532-4254
Pan American Branch Library • 1122 Pyron Avenue • 924-8164

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Black History
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